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For: APPARATUS FOR RE-CODING AN IMAGE  
SIGNAL

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-23, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.